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You are receiving this forfeiture because a Department investigation found you held yourself out as an electrical contractor and had your staff perform electrical work at W5797 Mings Road, Monroe, WI 53566 without possessing the proper credentials. An electrical contractor credential is required in the State of Wisconsin for any person who engages in the business of installing, repairing, or maintaining electrical wiring. The investigation found an invoice from your company that states that you would provide electrical services. Specifically, it states that the invoice quote was "a partial for the rough in of electrical of main floor including laundry room, bathroom, kitchen, dining, pantry as well as outside electrical." Further it states "this is for partials. We have a lot of wire and outlets. I definitely do not want to charge by outlet and fixture."

The Department also gathered evidence of text messages sent between yourself and the homeowners. The text messages sent by you state that your staff, Nick, will be or did perform electrical services.

The Department finds that you held yourself out as an electrical contractor throughout the project at Mings Road from the invoice date of March 23, 2021 to the termination date of May 23, 2021. This is approximately 61 days and that you and your employee performed electrical work or held yourself out as an electrical contractor.

The Department provided you an opportunity to respond and considered your response. However, it holds that the evidence is sufficient to find that you held yourself out as an electrical contractor and had your employee perform electrical services without being properly credentialed.

For engaging in electrical contracting work without the proper credential the Department enters a forfeiture of \$2,500.00 in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 101.88(3). Any person who violates this subchapter shall forfeit to the state not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 for each violation. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense. The Department finds that you were in violation of Wis. Stat. § 101.862(1) for 61 days. \$2,500 divided by 61 equals \$40.98. Therefore the forfeiture of \$2,500 is an appropriate forfeiture.

You have the right to petition for a hearing on this Order. Such petition for hearing shall be by verified petition filed with the department, setting out specifically and in full detail the order upon which a hearing is desired and every reason why such order is unreasonable, and every issue to be considered by the department on the hearing. The petitioner shall be deemed to have finally waived all objections to any irregularities and illegalities in the order upon which a hearing is sought other than those set forth in the petition. *See* Wis. Stat. § 101.02(6).

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin on 19 May, 2023.

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